

BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

NOVEMBER 17, 2015

THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET FOR A SPECIAL SESSION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015, IN THE FOURTH FLOOR COMMISSION CHAMBERS OF THE BAY COUNTY BUILDING. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN ERNIE KRYGIER AT 4:15 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT.

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONERS MICHAEL DURANCZYK, VAUGHN BEGICK, KIM COONAN, THOMAS HEREK, DONALD J. TILLEY, AND CHAIRMAN ERNIE KRYGIER

EXCUSED: COMMISSIONER MICHAEL LUTZ

OTHER MEMBERS: CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, BAY COUNTY CLERK
ROBERT J. REDMOND, FINANCIAL ANALYST
DEANNE C. BERGER, BOARD COORDINATOR

ALSO PRESENT: THOMAS L. HICKNER, COUNTY EXECUTIVE
TIM QUINN, PERSONNEL DIRECTOR
CRYSTAL HEBERT, FINANCE OFFICER
AMBER DAVIS-JOHNSON, CORPORATION COUNSEL
CRISTEN GIGNAC, RECREATION & FACILITIES DIRECTOR
VARIOUS ELECTED OFFICIALS
VARIOUS DEPARTMENT HEADS
NEWS MEDIA

CHAIRMAN KRYGIER ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE FAMILIES IN PARIS, FRANCE.

INVOCATION: THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY THE BAY COUNTY CLERK, CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZENS INPUT

THERE WAS NO CITIZEN INPUT.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

RES. 2015-256: COMM. TILLEY MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2015-256 APPROVING THE CORRECTED APPORTIONMENT REPORT, CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL BY THE BANGOR TOWNSHIP BOARD. THE BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVED THE CLERK'S CERTIFICATES/L-4029 AT ITS OCTOBER 13, 2015 BOARD MEETING (RES. 2015-226). AN ERROR OF A CALCULATION ON BANGOR TOWNSHIP'S L-4029 FOR CHAPTER 20 DRAIN MILLAGE WAS DISCOVERED. THE BANGOR TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL CONSIDER THIS CORRECTION AT ITS MEETING ON 11/17/15. THE APPORTIONMENT REPORT MUST BE FILED WITH THE STATE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR. FURTHER, AUTHORIZING THE BOARD CHAIR TO EXECUTE THE CORRECTED APPORTIONMENT REPORT AND RELATED REQUIRED DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF BAY COUNTY. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. COONAN FOR DISCUSSION.

R. GRUBER: RICHARD GRUBER, EQUALIZATION DEPARTMENT, EXPLAINED THAT IT WAS THE SAME MILLAGE AS LAST YEAR. KELLY RIFENBARK TALKED TO THE DRAIN COMMISSIONER AND HE FURNISHED THE TOWNSHIP WITH THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS TO PAY OFF THE BONDS AND WITH THE NEW AMOUNT OF PERSONNEL THEY HAVE, THE SAME MILLAGES WERE WRITTEN DOWN AS LAST YEAR. HOWEVER, THE ERROR WAS CAUGHT IN TIME AND THE LEVY HAS BEEN CORRECTED BY THE DEADLINE OF DECEMBER 1, 2015.

IT WAS PASSED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 EXCUSED - LUTZ.

RES. 2015-257: COMM. TILLEY MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2015-257 AUTHORIZING THE BOARD CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE MICHIGAN ENERGY OPTIONS GRANT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS TO THE MICHIGAN AGENCY FOR ENERGY (MAE) THROUGH THE MICHIGAN ENERGY OFFICE ON BEHALF OF BAY COUNTY FOLLOWING LEGAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL. THE MAE THROUGH THE MICHIGAN ENERGY OFFICE IS MAKING AVAILABLE \$150,000.00 IN MATCHING GRANTS TO BENCHMARK ENERGY AND WATER CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS. THE PROGRAM WILL ENABLE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO TRACK BUILDING PERFORMANCE AND WILL ASSIST THEM IN PRIORITIZING ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS THAT WILL HELP LOWER OPERATION COSTS THROUGH ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES. FURTHER, THAT THE GRANT APPLICANT/RECIPIENT DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK WITH THE FINANCE

DEPARTMENT WHOSE STAFF WILL PROVIDE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT OF SAID GRANT. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS UNDERSTOOD IF THESE GRANT FUNDS ARE TERMINATED, ANY POSITIONS FUNDED BY THIS GRANT SHALL BE TERMINATED AND WILL NOT BE ABSORBED BY THE COUNTY. FINALLY, THAT RELATED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, IF REQUIRED, ARE APPROVED. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. HEREK FOR DISCUSSION.

BOB REDMOND: BOB REDMOND EXPLAINED THE AVAILABILITY OF PARTNERING WITH A NON-PROFIT THROUGH THE MICHIGAN ENERGY OPTION BY DECEMBER 1, 2015 WOULD GIVE ADMINISTRATION THE AUTHORITY TO UTILIZE THIS, IF THEY SO DECIDE. HE EXPLAINED WE ARE NOT ACTUALLY APPLYING FOR THE GRANT, IT IS FOR THE NON-PROFIT TO COME IN AND HELP THE COUNTY USE THE EPA TOOL TO BETTER MANAGE OUR ENERGY IN THE BUILDINGS WE CHOOSE.

COMM. TILLEY SAID THE CITY OF BAY CITY OFFERS HOMEOWNERS A DEDUCTION OF UP TO \$150.00 OFF THEIR ELECTRIC BILL BY UTILIZING LED BULBS. HE SAID THERE IS AN APPLICATION THROUGH THE CITY OF BAY CITY THAT HAS TO BE FILLED OUT AND THE DEDUCTION WILL BE TAKEN OFF YOUR ELECTRIC BILL.

IT WAS CARRIED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 EXCUSED - LUTZ.

RES. 2015-258: COMM. TILLEY MOVED TO ADOPT RES. 2015-258 APPROVING JOURNAL REQUEST NUMBER 2015-11-233, TO BUDGET FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCING INDEXING AND REPORTING COMPUTER SOFTWARE SYSTEM IN THE CLERK'S BUDGET WITH THE FUNDING SOURCE GENERAL FUND. THAT AUTHORIZATION IS GRANTED TO CONTRACT WITH CAMPAIGN FINANCE USA FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A COMPUTER CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING SYSTEM IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.00 FROM THE 2015 CLERK'S ELECTION COMPUTER SOFTWARE LINE ITEM. FURTHER, THAT THE ANNUAL \$3,000.00 MAINTENANCE EXPENSE IS SUBJECT TO BOARD REQUEST AND DEPENDENT UPON LEVELS OF ELECTION FUNDING REMAINING IN FUTURE BUDGETS. ADDITIONALLY, TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD CHAIR TO EXECUTE ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOLLOWING LEGAL REVIEW AND THAT RELATED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, IF REQUIRED, ARE APPROVED. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. HEREK FOR DISCUSSION.

JULIE COPPENS: JULIE COPPENS, INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT, EXPLAINED SHE CONTACTED THE STATE AND THEY ARE COMING OUT WITH A PROGRAM CALLED MERTZ WHICH IS SUPPOSED TO BE READY THIS YEAR. KALAMAZOO COUNTY WAS TO BE THE PILOT FOR IT. THEY DISCOVERED THE PROGRAM WASN'T WRITTEN FOR COUNTIES AND AFTER DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE DIRECTOR OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE AT THE STATE, IT WILL NOT ACTUALLY BE AVAILABLE UNTIL 2017 FOR THE COUNTY. THE STATE IS RECOMMENDING THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE SOFTWARE WHICH WILL MEET OUR NEEDS. IN JULY 2016, E-FILING ON LINE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR US AS WELL.

COMM. TILLEY SAID HE LIKES PROGRESS AND ANYTIME YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ELECTRONICALLY THAT WILL SAVE PAPERWORK, IT'S A GOOD THING. HE EXPLAINED IF YOU HAVE A MAC COMPUTER, IT COSTS \$100.00 TO DOWNLOAD THE MERTZ SOFTWARE PROGRAM AND CONVERT IT OVER TO WINDOWS AND ANOTHER FEE OF \$169.00 TO INSTALL AS WELL.

COMM. BEGICK SAID HE HAS BEEN UTILIZING THE MERTZ SYSTEM AND IF YOU CAN DO IT ELECTRONICALLY, IT WILL BE BETTER TOO.

IT WAS ADOPTED BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 EXCUSED - LUTZ.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO NEW BUSINESS.

MISCELLANEOUS

COMM. DURANCZYK WANTED TO COMMEND HAROLD BEAUCHAMP FOR HIS SERVICE. HE IS RETIRING.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WERE NO ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CLOSED SESSION

THERE WAS NO CLOSED SESSION REQUESTED.

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 79: COMM. DURANCZYK MOVED TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL BOARD SESSION OF NOVEMBER 17, 2015. IT WAS SUPPORTED BY COMM. BEGICK. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 4:40 P.M. BY A VOICE VOTE OF: 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 EXCUSED - LUTZ.

ERNIE KRYGIER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, COUNTY CLERK
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